

House Resolution No. 686

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens or distinguished themselves through significant personal achievement; and

Whereas, the members now pause to recognize John Seipel, of Maryville, Missouri, and a senior at Maryville High School who was recently named a Distinguished Finalist in The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program, which honors outstanding community service by young Americans; and

Whereas, the son of Tom and Sue Seipel, John Seipel was part of a volunteer group who persuaded the Maryville City Council to ban smoking in local restaurants by researching the issue, and he was the spokesman at the Council meetings as well as media interviews; and

Whereas, The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program, created in 1995 by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, is designed to emphasize the importance our nation places on service to others and to encourage all young Americans to contribute to their communities; and

Whereas, as a Distinguished Finalist in this year's program, John Seipel will receive an engraved bronze medallion; and

Whereas, the success of the state of Missouri, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people like John Seipel, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; and

Whereas, The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program is America's largest youth recognition program based exclusively on volunteerism:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to the applaud the laudable service to John Seipel and the honor and recognition bestowed upon him by The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for John Seipel.

Offered by _____
Representative Mike Thomson
District No. 4

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 686, adopted February 18, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker